

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Kilgarin, would you like to work this morning, please.

SENATOR KILGARIN: Okay, I move we adopt the E & R amendments to LB 155.

SPEAKER NICHOL: All those in favor of adopting the E & R amendments, please signify by saying aye, opposed nay. The E & R amendments are adopted.

CLERK: Mr. President, the first amendment I have to the bill was offered by Senator Chambers who is excused. I have a second by Senator Chambers, and a third. Mr. President, Senator Hoagland moves to amend the bill.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Is Senator Hoagland about? Do you have amendments from somebody else?

CLERK: I have an amendment from Senator Beutler that I understand he wants to withdraw, is that right, Senator?

SPEAKER NICHOL: Is that correct, Senator Beutler? Are there any objections? If not, it is withdrawn.

CLERK: Mr. President, I now have an amendment offered by Senator Beutler.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, just to refresh your minds a little bit, you may recall that the bill sets up a procedure whereby a person can get a replacement vehicle, and it sets out certain things that have to be done in order for the consumer to comply with the requirements of the act and have a right to have his car replaced and one of the things that is provided in Section 5 is the fact that the consumer is required to go through an arbitration proceeding in order to make use of LB 155, and at the time that this bill came across on General File, you may recall that I raised the question of how long this arbitration proceeding would take and whether it was properly referenced with regard to how it was incorporated into our law as they are actually two separate problems. Since that time it has been indicated and we have looked at some of the regulations relating to our arbitration procedures and it is clear that the arbitration procedure as it would be set up under the proposed amendment would be in substantial compliance with a number of items in the regulations including the item that the arbitration proceeding take place somewhere in a period of